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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the election requirement (dated April 9, 2004), applicant hereby elects the invention of Figure 1 and believes that claims 1-6, and 8-19 are readable thereon. The undersigned also believes that claims 1-19 are generic to all disclosed Species. The primary distinction between the Species of Figure 1 and the Species of Figure 11 is that the Species of Figure 11 includes radial rib 34 wherein the Species of Figure 1 does not include radial rib 34.

In the Drawings

Submitted herewith is one sheet of proposed corrections to originally submitted sheet 7 of the drawings. Sheet 7 of the drawings, as originally submitted, shows the figure set out thereon as "Figure 11". However, sheet 6 of 7 lists the figure set out thereon as Figure 11. The figure set forth on sheet 7 of 7 should be shown as Figure 12 and the appropriate correction has been made herein..

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 18-0013, under Order No. 65042-0437 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

Dated: 4|29|04

Respectfully submitted,

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